

THE NEW DISTRICTS

The Congressional Redistricting Measure Passes The Senate.

NO CHANGE IN THE SECOND.

But Many Changes Are Made In Some Of The Other Districts.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 26.—The Pritchard congressional redistricting bill passed the senate, 27 to 2. The two negative votes were cast by Senators H. M. Brock and C. Holman, Republicans.

The congressional redistricting bill passed by the senate is as follows, no change being made in the first six districts:

First district—Ballard, Caldwell, Calloway, Carlisle, Crittenden, Fulton, Graves, Hickman, Livingston, Lyon, Marshall, McCracken and Trigg.

Second district—Christian, Daviess, Hancock, Henderson, Hopkins, McLean, Union and Webster.

Third district—Allen, Butler, Barren, Edmonson, Logan, Metcalfe, Muhlenburg, Simpson, Todd and Warren.

Fourth district—Breckenridge, Bullitt, Grayson, Green, Hardin, Hart, Larue, Marion, Meade, Nelson, Ohio, Taylor and Washington.

Fifth district—Jefferson.

Sixth district—Boone, Campbell, Carroll, Gallatin, Grant, Kenton, Pendleton and Trimble.

Seventh district—Bourbon, Fayette, Franklin, Henry, Lee, Oldham, Owen, Scott, Woodford, Powell, Clark and Estill.

Eighth district—Adair, Anderson, Boyle, Casey, Garrard, Jessamine, Lincoln, Madison, Mercer, Shelby and Spencer.

Ninth district—Bracken, Bath, Boyd, Carter, Elliott, Fleming, Greenup, Harrison, Lewis, Lawrence, Mason, Menifee, Morgan, Nichols, Robertson, Rowan, Wolfe, Montgomery and Breathitt.

Tenth district—Floyd, Johnson, Knott, Letcher, Jackson, Martin, Magoffin, Owsley, Pike and Perry.

Eleventh district—Bell, Clinton, Cumberland, Harlan, Knox, Monroe, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Russell, Wayne, Whitley, Laurel, Clay and Leslie.

The bill carries an emergency clause.

Farmers' Institute.

The annual meeting of the State Farmers' Institute of Kentucky will be held in Frankfort to-day. Several hundred persons, among the number many of the wives and daughters of the delegates, are expected. Wednesday afternoon Rev. Edward B. Landis, of Hopkinsville, will speak on "The Present Day Possibilities of Rural Development" and a feature of Thursday morning's program will be an address by Prof. Barksdale Himellett, Superintendent of Public Instruction.

CHALLENGE

To Be Issued By Fathers For Another Spelling Match.

It is reported upon good authority that the "fathers" are not satisfied with the recent spelling bee in which they were defeated by the kids of the public schools. It is hinted that they are now busy studying the spelling books and will shortly issue a challenge for another match in which thirteen fathers will spell against the entire public schools, pupils and faculty. This challenge grows out of the fact that the children have been inclined to boast over what they regarded as a great victory.

Eq. G. E. Bayham has returned from Providence.

ROOSEVELT WILL TAKE THE NOMINATION IF TENDERED IT

Such is Answer He Makes to Question Put to Him by Seven Governors.

Promises to Stick to His Decision Till the Convention Has Made Its Choice—Wants Matter Put Up To and Decided By People, Through Direct Primaries.



New York, Feb. 26.—"I will accept the nomination for President if it is tendered me, and I will adhere to this decision until the convention has expressed its preference," is Colonel Theodore Roosevelt's reply to the letter of seven republican governors asked him to stand for nomination.

The eagerly awaited reply was given out last night at Colonel Roosevelt's offices here during his absence on a trip to Boston. It was unexpectedly brief, but definite. It follows:

New York, Feb. 24, 1912—Gentlemen: I deeply appreciate your letter, expressing as it does the carefully considered convictions of the men elected by popular vote to stand as the heads of government in their several states.

"I absolutely agree with you that this matter is not one to be decided with any reference to the personal preferences or interests of any man, but purely from the standpoint of the interests of the people as a whole. "I will accept the nomination for President if it is tendered to me, and I will adhere to this decision until the convention has expressed its preference. "One of the chief principles for

which I have stood, and for which I now stand, and which I have always endeavored and always shall endeavor to reduce to action, is the genuine rule of the people, and therefore I hope that so far as possible the people may be given the chance, through direct primaries to express their preference as to who shall be nominee of the republican presidential convention.

"Very truly yours,

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

"The Hon. William E. Glasscock, governor of the state of West Virginia, Charleston, W. V.

"The Hon. Chester H. Aldrich, governor of the state of Nebraska, Lincoln, Neb.

"The Hon. Robert P. Bass, governor of the state of New Hampshire, Concord, N. H.

"The Hon. Joseph M. Carey, governor of the state of Wyoming, Cheyenne, Wyo.

"The Hon. Chas. S. Osborn, governor of the state of Michigan, Lansing, Mich.

"The Hon. W. R. Stubbs, governor of the state of Kansas, Topeka, Kans.

"The Hon. Herbert S. Hadley, governor of the state of Missouri, Jefferson City, Mo."

CASE ARGUED

Before Court of Appeals and Submitted.

The case of Peaslee-Gault Company against D. D. McMath, administrator of Herbert McMath, deceased, appealed from this county, was argued before the Court of Appeals at Frankfort last week. Messrs. C. H. Bush and Hunter Wood represented the appellee and S. Y. Trimble and John Doonan the appellant. The case was submitted. Herbert McMath was killed at Pembroke by an explosion of naphtha during a fire at that place. His administrator secured a verdict for \$5,000 against the company and an appeal was taken.

DEAL IN HOPKINS

French Syndicate Closes Option For 5,000 Acres.

Madisonville, Ky., Feb. 26.—One of the biggest coal land deals ever transacted in Hopkins county is now a settled fact. Five thousand acres lying between Providence and Dalton, known as the Beulah coal field, is to be opened up and operated by a French syndicate.

It is estimated that \$500,000 will be paid the land owners of that section within a year. The option has been standing for years. When opened it will necessitate a railroad to tap that locality.

OWENSBORO BOY WINNER

Hot Competition in Western Kentucky High School Oratorical Contest.

JUDGES SWEEP BY THE NOISE.

Judges Deprecate Unusual Applause but Give Him Decision Over Others.

Owensboro, Ky., Feb. 23.—"Despite the enthusiasm of his friends," declared the judges at the oratorical contest of the Western Kentucky Oratorical Association held at the Grand opera house here to-night, "we declare Joe Clint Jenkins, of the Owensboro high school, winner."

His oration, "The Federation of the World," was well delivered and there was no doubt that it was the best of evening. Such tumultuous acclaim had been done him, however, that the judges disapproved of the demonstration. The other schools joined in the applause given the local boy at the conclusion of his speech.

Each of the other contestants gave well prepared addresses, the various candidates presenting the following subjects:

Princeton—Mahlon Gregory; subject, "Robert E. Lee."

Madisonville—Charles Bourland; subject, "A Young Man's Views on Some Full Grown Problems."

Paduash—Pittman Harth; subject, "Universal Peace."

Henderson—William Floyd; subject, "Patriotism."

Dawson Springs—Frank Dunn; subject, "Survival of the Fittest."

Hopkinsville—Thomas Roberts; subject, "Lest we Forget."

This is the second successive year Owensboro has won this annual event. The judges were: Hon. Newton Belcher, of Greenville, Ky.; Hon. J. U. Snyder, of Marion, Ky., and Prof. J. S. Dickey, of Bowling Green.

Rivalry was keen between the schools and the cheers for each candidate were deafening.

The Local Press.

Of Thomas Roberts, who spoke for Hopkinsville, the Messenger said:

"Thomas Roberts, representing Hopkinsville, whose oration was delivered under the title of 'Lest We Forget,' made a strong address, which was well received by the audience."

The inquirer paid him the following compliment:

"Thomas Roberts, of the Hopkinsville high school, delivered a forceful address, entitled Lest We Forget. The speaker deplored this mercenary age, and called on the rising generation to recall the philanthropic spirits of Washington, Lincoln and Clay, whose battles were for principles, and not for selfish, greedy gain."

BIG JUNKET FOR KNOX

Touring South American Seaports in Gorgeous Style.

Key West, Fla., Feb. 26.—When the armored cruiser Washington, the official home of Secretary of State Knox for the greater part of the next two months, weighed anchor off Key West and turned her prow towards the isthmus Friday, there was begun a diplomatic mission in many respects unprecedented.

Mr. Knox will accomplish the trip under conditions befitting its dignity. The cruiser Washington has been put in spick and span shape and carries nearly one thousand men, the largest crew now on any American ship. The admiral's quarters and the adjoining suite of the captain, have

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specially fitted up for them, who the whole afterpart of the gun deck has been set aside for the use of the Knox party. Here there will be frequent receptions to government officials upon whom the secretary will call.

To officers and crew it will not be an easy trip. They will be on almost constant dress parade as official visitors come and go. The men, however, have entered into the spirit of the cruise, and it is believed will make a showing in the ports visited that will reflect credit on the navy and the nation.

Mississippi's New Experiment.

Mississippians who have an income of over \$2,500 a year will now have to pay a tax on it, following the passage of a bill in the legislature yesterday. The tax on incomes from \$2,500 is five mill; the rate on incomes from \$5,000 to \$10,000 is seven mill; from \$10,000 to \$15,000, ten mill; from \$15,000 to \$25,000, fifteen mill, and twenty mill on all incomes over \$25,000. How much revenue this tax will raise is problematical, but it is estimated

Her 21 Sons.

Mrs. Cornfield, an English woman, celebrated her 80th birthday by attending a theatre in London with her 21 sons. Mrs. Cornfield is a native of Orkney Islands. Her children—all boys—are all alive, and eight of them are in the King's service, civil and military. They had arrived from all parts of the colonies to celebrate their mother's birthday. Asked if there had never been any daughters in the family, one of the boys smilingly replied, "None, but a dozen or so that we have adopted."

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